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THREE CENTS

## Commencement

Commencement events at the Northfield Schools will begin Friday, June 6, and continue until Monday, when diplomas will be granted to 157 boys and 170 girls. President William E. Park will deliver the commencement address at Mount Hermon School and the speaker at Northfield School for Girls will be the Rev. Dr. Frederick M. Meek, minister of Old South Church in Boston.

The week-end program at Mount Hermon School will start Friday with the Deerfield baseball game at 3 p. m. and the senior banquet at the Weldon in Greenfield at seven. Saturday's program will include the alumni assembly at noon, class day exercises at 3 p. m. and the Northfield Schools commencement concert in the Auditorium at 8:30.

At Hermon, Headmaster Howard L. Rubendall will preach the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday morning at 10:30, the faculty reception will be held from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., and a recital will be given by the music department at 8:30. The commencement exercises will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Memorial Chapel.

At Northfield School for Girls the traditional last chapel service on Saturday at 3:30 u. m. will be the opening event on the week-end commencement program and this will be followed by the joint concert with Mount Hermon in the Auditorium at 8:30. Sunday's program will open with a 7:30 a.m. communion service and the baccalaureate at 11:30, when the address will be given by the principal, Dr. Mira B. Wilson. A reception for seniors and alumnae will be held in the afternoon and the evening program includes a student recital at 8 and the lantern service at 9:30. Commencement exercises will be held at 11 a.m. Monday in the Auditorium.

## Hostel Activities

As the season advances, activities advance at the Youth Hostel headquarters here and soon everything must be in readiness to receive members of the organization who begin on the many tours from Northfield. Enrollment in the foreign tours are about completed and all arrangements made. Tours about the United States and Canada will begin as soon as school closes according to the schedules already widely distributed. Anyone interested in the Youth Hostel plans for the summer should not fail to obtain a copy of their most interesting folder. Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Smith, directors, will be in the midst of considerable activities but will have the aid of competent staffs.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh D. Maydole of Red Bank, N. J., have arrived at their summer cottage in Mountain Park for the season stay.

## Conference Speakers

The second in the series of articles on Conference speakers is published this week and we introduce Dr. Sidney Lovett, chaplain of Yale University, whose addresses at the chapel services of many schools and colleges have attracted interest and attention.

Dr. Lovett will be heard here at the General Conference in August among the list of speakers already announced.



DR. SIDNEY LOVETT

He is a graduate of Yale University and Union Theological Seminary and was ordained a minister in the Congregational denomination in 1917. He has served churches in New York City and East Boston, also the Mount Vernon Church in Boston where he remained from 1919 until 1932.

Now as Chaplain at Yale he has exerted a wonderful influence upon the students. He is much interested in Christian welfare work and is a trustee of the George Junior Republic at Freeville, N. Y.

Requests for information and for reservations for the General Conference are being received every day and the prospects are most encouraging for a large attendance.

## June 14 Flag Day

Saturday June 14, has been designated as Flag Day by President Truman in an official proclamation in accordance with custom and calls upon all citizens to proudly display the flag at full mast on that day. In our schools the meaning and the significance of the flag should be taught to the younger generation and people generally should take some study on its history and understand the meaning of its display.

Rev. Helen Bassett, pastor of the Free Methodist Church, attended the graduating exercises at Syracuse University last week, when her son received his master's degree in chemistry.

## Sponsors Virginia Camp

With the discontinuance of Virginia Camp at the end of last summer by the New York City Mission, much disappointment was evidenced. For years groups of young folks came here for their vacation period and the outing accomplished much in the way of health and Christian training for those fortunate enough to be selected.

In order to save expense on transportation which was a considerable amount, a new selection for the camp was made at a nearer place to New York and it will open there this summer.

Now, however, it is announced that Virginia Camp will not remain silent nor idle for it will be used by the Children's Havens of Boston in caring forward its work for the young, under the direction of Robert Murray, its president. The camp will be constituted for the religious training of the young and various groups will come for their vacation periods. It is hoped the people of Northfield who were so loyal in their support of the City Mission groups will welcome the children of the Havens.

The organization of the Children's Havens reaches mostly the children of the settlements in the large cities and now are in operation in Boston, Cambridge and Brighton. These young folk are not in the churches nor the Sunday schools of the community in which they live but are responsive to the teaching of religious thought and living. As the children of the Havens come to Northfield to enjoy the privileges of Virginia Camp we also will be enabled to learn something of the purpose of the organization.

## Gifts For Veterans

Small inexpensive gifts are needed for use as gifts at the social periods and parties given to the veterans at various times at the Leeds Hospital in Northampton. A committee of women representing Greenfield and the towns of Franklin County have been named having the social affairs in charge and Mrs. A. Gordon Moody represents Northfield. Any one who desires to contribute some small gift may leave it at the hotel for Mrs. Moody.

## Wed Fifty Years

The fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Roy R. Hatch of Birnam Road did not go unobserved by their friends even if they planned it a quiet family affair, for at Mount Hermon, in the social hall on the campus of the school over 125 friends had gathered in a surprise reception.

Many women and members of the faculty attended the affair on Friday afternoon last and 125 persons signed the guest book. The rooms were attractively decorated and refreshments were served. Flowers and gifts to the Hatch's including a purse were presented.

Mr. and Mrs. Hatch were married in Salem, June 2, 1897. Mr. Hatch has been a teacher for 53 years at Mount Hermon School. Upon retirement in 1940 they moved from Mount Hermon to Birnam Road, but he has continued his teaching of science at the school by commuting each day.

## Nurse Makes Report

Miss Natalie Gowen, public health nurse, has made report of her work during May:

Total number of visits, 129; chronic cases, 77; acute cases, seven; infant health supervision, 26; adult health supervision, four; pre-school health supervision, four; school health supervision, three; tuberculosis contacts, one; transportation, seven; and attended one meeting in Northampton and one at the University of Massachusetts.

## Historical Society

The Northfield Historical Society held its regular meeting at the Museum on Pine Street Tuesday evening with Miss Elsie Scott, the president presiding. After the business session Mr. and Mrs. Willis Parker gave a review of Edwin Mitchell's book on "Old New England Customs." It was reported that on May 23 the museum was open for a visit by the fourth grade pupils of Center School with Miss Totman, their teacher, when Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Colton explained the exhibits. Announcement will soon be made for the days and hours for opening the museum during the summer.

## Gets Fine Promotion

The appointment of Carroll Rickert, Jr., as controller of accounts at Brown University is announced by Dr. F. Morris Cochran, vice-president and business manager.

Rickert began his duties at Brown in February, 1946, as an assistant to the Bursar, Lester L. Lapham. He will continue in the Bursar's office with primary responsibility for all accounting connected with financial operations of the University giving particular emphasis to budget control.

A native of Northfield, Rickert received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Harvard in 1938 and a Master of Business Administration in 1940. He holds the certificate of a certified public accountant awarded by the State of New York in 1945.

From 1940 to 1946 Rickert was employed by the New York firm of Haskins and Sells, certified public accountants. He is a member of the Rhode Island Society of CPA's and Delta Upsilon Fraternity.

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On Monday evening, June 16, the young people of the Congregational Church will enjoy another one of the popular roller skating parties at South Deerfield rink.

Mrs. Elizabeth S. Taylor of New York City with her daughter will arrive next week for the summer's stay at the cottage of Miss Ethel Allen in Mountain Park.

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Lunch served on-grounds.

### REAL ESTATE

To Be Sold at 2 P.M.

The Governor Hunt Manor House  
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### Graduate Together

The following article in The Springfield Union will be of interest to many since Mrs. Lundy is the former Janet Kehl, daughter of Mrs. Shirley Kehl of this town, who graduated from the Northfield School for Girls in 1943 and was wedded in Sage Chapel last September to Richard Dorr Lundy of Springfield.

The article reads:

For the first time in the history of the University of Massachusetts, husbands and wives will graduate together at the college's commencement June 9.

Living at Federal Circle, the housing project for married veterans, Mr. and Mrs. Lundy of Springfield have combined study and housekeeping with favorable results.

The Lundys have no specific division of household tasks, but leave it to the one who has more time or happens to be home when something has to be done. Janet, however, insists on the one particular job of cooking which she loves.

Whether in the library or at home, they find studying together fun, and take many courses together. Both Dean's List students, they found that their marks were consistently higher since their marriage a year ago.

Janet and Dick are very proud of their three-room apartment where they often entertain their neighbors, for the Circle to them is a real community in which they take an active part.

A psychology major, Janet is an active member of the Roister Doisters, the university's dramatic association, the Student Christian Association Cabinet, and Pi Beta Phi sorority.

Dick, a former member of the class of '45, is a member of the Lambda Chi fraternity and the Economics Club, his major. In the fall he will enter the Wharton Graduate School of Finance and Commerce, while Janet plans to work in her major field.

Patrick L. O'Connor of Hinsdale, who has been doing specialized printing for the paper concerns there, has sold his printing outfit to New York parties and makes no statement regarding his future effort. Friends hope he will remain in the printing business.

Miss Sylvia Bliss, who has occupied the home of Rev. Mary Andrews Conner during the past winter, has returned to her home in East Calais, Vt.

### This Is To Remind You

#### The 1947 Conference Season

June 18—June 26

NORTHFIELD GIRLS' CONFERENCE

June 27—July 5

NORTHFIELD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

July 7—July 16

NORTHFIELD CONFERENCE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

July 19—July 26

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### Louise Andrews Camp

Plans are going forward for the holding of the usual camps and conferences by the Salvation Army this summer at Louise Andrews Camp between Winchester Road and Pierson Road. The building and grounds are being cleaned up and the equipment gone over so as to be in readiness for the starting about July 1st. The Press will publish later the program for the summer with the names of the officers in charge.

### Hospital Rates More

The trustees of the Franklin County Hospital have announced an increase in rates which became effective last Sunday and amounts to about a dollar per person higher than the scheduled rates. The excuse is that the hospital revenues do not keep pace with the expenditures and the increase is necessary to halt a growing deficit. Even the sick and unfortunate must be taxed to pay the bill.

### Grange To Neighbor

Members of the Grange will attend a neighbors' night meeting at Broadbrook Grange, Guilford, Vt., Friday evening. Other neighbors' night meetings accepted this month are June 12 at Goldenrod Grange in Swansea, N. H., June 13 at Protective Grange in Brattleboro, Vt., and June 24 at West Dummerston, Vt.

Members of the Grange will furnish programs at alwl of these meetings.

### Stoneleigh Graduate

Miss Jean Cochrane, daughter of Mrs. Claire Cochrane of South Main Street, is a graduate of the Stoneleigh Prospect School at Greenfield. The commencement exercises were held at the school on Thursday although the various events were scheduled through the week with the banquet for graduates and parents at the Weldon. While attending Stoneleigh Miss Cochrane was a member of the publicity staff and of the dramatic and glee clubs. She was chairman of the banquet committee this year.

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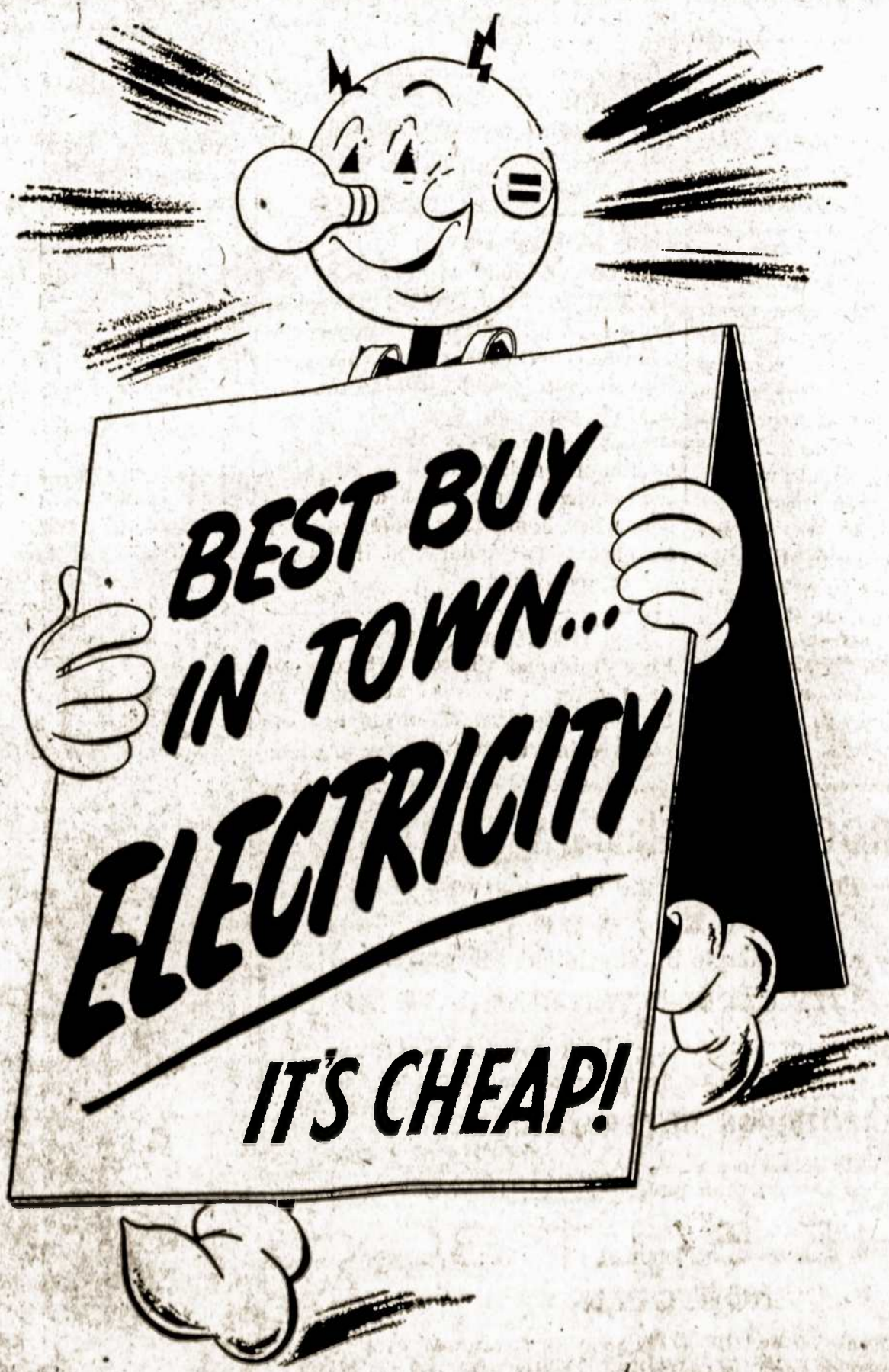
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 Whose winding paths are arched in green,  
 Whose wooded breath perfumes the breeze;  
 I turn my thoughts to thee.

To them that seek thee thou art good;  
 Thou addest strength to them that wait;  
 Thy silence guardest them that sleep,  
 And from rough Garnet's topmost height  
 Our eyes do e'en God's glories see;  
 O Northfield Hills, my Northfield Hills,  
 Gladly I come to thee.

I love to find thy cool retreats,  
 To hear the music in the trees,  
 To scent the sweetbrier in the breeze,  
 To catch the thrush's mellow notes,  
 To drink from out thy quiet brooks;  
 O Northfield Hills, my Northfield Hills,  
 What joys I find in thee!

My tent is pitched amid thy trees,  
 Where sunbeams twinkle through the leaves;  
 The chipmunks scamper near my door,  
 Ripe berries hang the nearby bush,  
 Close by me flows the cooling spring;  
 O Northfield Hills, my Northfield Hills,  
 How sweet thy memories!

Full at thy feet the river flows,  
 Glistening as silver in the sun;  
 And on thy lower slopes there stand  
 Gray halls of learning, ivy clad,  
 Whose founder was thy faithful son;  
 O Northfield Hills, my Northfield Hills,  
 Oft may I come to thee.

—CHESTER F. RALSTON.

## Town Topics

The Northfield Hotel is recording a most excellent patronage and the house is filled to capacity each day. With its meals, its various sports and social activities the public finds its way to its doors.

Frederic Rueckert, Jr., of Cleveland, Ohio, and a former Mount Hermon student, was married Saturday, June 7, to Miss Joan Dodge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Earl Dodge of Greystone, N. Y., at the Riverdale Presbyterian Church, in Greystone. Both families are well known here by many friends.

The contract for the painting work to be done at the Town Hall as voted at the last annual town meeting has been awarded by the Selectmen to Stanley G. Barfitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Danforth of San Diego, Calif., who have been visiting here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Morgan recently, are now on their way back.

At the meeting of the Community Club of Northfield Farms held last Friday evening, it was voted to adjourn until fall. The meeting indulged in a social time with cards, dancing and refreshments.

Mrs. Lincoln Hammond of the Farms has returned after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Warner of Springfield.

Miss Martha Bollermann and her sister, Mrs. Charles F. Ohlandt both of Bayside, N. Y., are expected to reach Northfield next week at which time they will open their summer cottages on the Ridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wasser and family of Queens Village, N. Y., have opened their cottage on Woodruff Way. Mr. Wasser will return to New York to conduct his business but the family will now remain here for the summer.

Rev. and Mrs. Marry L. Meyer and members of the family from Fall River spent Memorial weekend at their summer home in Mountain Park.

Miss Minnie Erb is now at her cottage on Rustic Ridge for the season after spending the winter elsewhere with several friends.

Mrs. George McMillan, who has been in Orlando, Florida, for the winter, is now visiting her son in Garden City, N. Y., and expects to be in Northfield in her apartment next week.

Miss Maud Curtis of Bridgeport, Conn., spent Memorial weekend at her summer cottage here, on West Lane, Rustic Ridge.

Mrs. Julia S. Ennis, who has spent the winter in Niles, Ohio, with her daughter and husband, expects to be at her home in South Vernon shortly.

Mrs. J. F. Schmadeke of Thompsonville, Conn., has arrived to reopen her home on Rustic Ridge for the summer.

Edward M. Morgan of Main Street observed his birthday last week and the event was marked with a family gathering and dinner. Friends extend congratulations and wish for him many more years of good health, and happiness.

The Farms Library announces regular hours when it will be open for the accommodation of its patrons. The hours are 2 to 4 and 6:30 to 8 p.m. Mrs. Richard Clough is the librarian.

On Wednesday, June 11, will be the "big parade" of the Brattleboro High School Alumni Association with five bands in line. The reunion will crowd Brattleboro and many from Northfield will go up to join in the celebration.

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Customer: "Hey, waitress, didn't you take my order?"

Waitress: "No. That was my mother."

Customer: "Has it been that long?"

Bishop: "But how on earth did you manage to keep the cannibals from eating you?"

Returned missionary: "It was easy. You see, I have a cork leg. As soon as I landed I pulled up my trousers, cut off a slice and gave it to the chief. He decided I wasn't worth cooking."



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**Town Topics**

The Press contains an advertisement in this issue of something new, The Northfield Hamstery. Even the editor admits he doesn't know what's it all about, so with other citizens will have to make a visit to find out what's its all about.

Gene Cullum, who was formerly active in the work of the Youth Hostel and who recently established himself in business in the making of sandwiches here, has sold the enterprise to Bernardston parties and gone to Hyannis, where he will establish a similar business to distribute sandwiches among the towns on the Cape.

Miss Martha C. Strippel of Kew Gardens, N. Y., has arrived at her cottage "Fernhill" on Rustic Ridge to spend the summer months.

Rev. and Mrs. Ellis E. Jones of South Vernon recently visited their son, Dr. Walter Jones and family in Providence, R. I.

Miss Olga J. Gorzocoski of this town was graduated last Sunday from the Mercy Hospital School of Nursing. She will remain until next September with the hospital as a nurse.

The auction sale at Vernon at the Governor Hunt Manor House not far from the Vernon dam will attract a large crowd of buyers. So many valued antiques will be offered even the property itself that it promises to be an all day affair. It will be a typical New England auction and it is said that newspapermen will be present and photo the activities.

Mr. and Mrs. Hans M. Zachmann and young son of this town have returned from a visit with his parents at Cleveland, Ohio.

Leavis and Bolton have the contract for the building of the new home for Luman A.I. Barber on Main Street opposite Dickinson Library.

Rev. Mary Andrews-Conner is at her home on the Winchester Road after returning from a most delightful journey during the past winter when she made an excursion into Mexico and visited friends in California, Colorado and Ohio.

The annual picnic of the Sunday school of the Congregational Church will be held at Laurel Lake in Erving on Saturday, June 21, provided the weather is favorable.

Announcement has been made that the Congregational Church will hold a fair and supper on Friday, August 8th, and the receipts will be given to the building fund for the new church.

Miss Ruth E. Brown of Bridgeport, Conn., is occupying the house on West Lane, Rustic Ridge, which she recently purchased from Rev. Charles M. Ackerman of Haverstraw, N. Y.

Rev. Ralph Rood, pastor of the Baptist Church in Greenfield, has opened his summer home on Winchester Road for this season.

Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Dean are planning a vacation visit to California this summer and friends are pleased that he can have this reward from a season of hard work.

Baron George Von Trapp, father of the Trapp family singers, died last week at his home in Stowe, Vermont. The Baron with his family escaped from Austria to this country when Hitler came into power and gave concerts in many cities in the United States. With his family he visited Northfield and gave concerts in the auditorium a few years ago, which were much enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Miller have purchased from Mrs. Ona Evans Briggs a tract of land on the Winchester Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Domenic Antonelli have bought from Lilla J. Clough of Athol the property they now occupy on the Old Wendell Road in Northfield.

According to the will filed in Probate Court, Mrs. Kate M. Alexander of this town will receive the real estate and personal property of the late Mrs. Lelia M. Allen of Main Street who died May 22.

James C. McRoberts of New York City was a visitor here over last week end on business connected with the McRoberts estate of which he is an executor.

Wallace Ingalls of Lowell was the guest of the editor of the Press last weekend. After looking over the town he said it "was most beautiful" and might attract him as a resident.

The Wendell town tax rate has been finally fixed at \$45, which is \$9 higher than last year but not as high as first thought necessary.

Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon Gage are at their home on Winchester Ave. having made the journey north by auto last week. They were accompanied on the trip by Mrs. T. T. Brown who has reopened her home on Main Street.

Dr. William E. Park, president of the Northfield Schools, will deliver the commencement addresses at Rye County Day School, Rye, New York, Friday afternoon, June 6, and Cushing Academy, Ashburnham, Mass., Sunday, June 8.

The cottage of Miss Elinor Peck, "Adahi" in the Pine Grove section of Rustic Ridge, has been rented to Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Manning of New London, Conn., who will occupy during July and August.

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